

RE: MB Docket No. 15-149

Tom Wheeler
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

My name is Ed Greef and I have the privilege of serving as the Montana state representative in House District 88. I am writing to urge your support for the pending Charter/TWC/Bright House Networks transaction.

A little over a year ago, I along with my legislative colleagues, helped organize meetings with various broadband providers operating in Montana to better understand the challenges they have in deploying broadband networks in our state and specifically the Bitterroot Valley. Since that time, one provider, Charter Communications, has actually stepped forward and invested in the infrastructure we need to compete in the 21st century.

Charter's commitment to serving Montana will allow my constituents to enjoy the same benefits that those in larger urban areas such as Washington DC already enjoy. Broadband investment allows those of us in more remote areas in the country to be just as connected as our neighbors in more populated areas. That is important to how we live, communicate, work, educate and care for our constituents.

Charter intends to create a state-of-the-art broadband network across its entire footprint that will result in minimum speeds of 60Mbps. In addition, their focus on commercial markets will position my community as a highly attractive place to do business, where the quality of life and natural beauty is second to none.

I am excited about the possibilities that exist in my area once this merger is complete and encourage the Federal Communications Commission to proceed with approval as quickly as possible. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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